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In re Patent Application of:)
Ravi ACHARYA, et. al.) Group Art Unit: 2164
Serial No.: 09/506,434) Examiner: James S. Bergin
Filed: February 18, 2000)
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR)
ELECTRONIC DEPOSIT OF THIRD)
PARTY CHECKS BY)
NON-COMMERCIAL BANKING)
CUSTOMERS FROM REMOTE)
LOCATIONS)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

COMMUNICATION REGARDING PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Sir;

With regard to the Petition to Make Special originally filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 on January 23, 2001 and resubmitted on August 8, 2001 with respect to the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request that this application be granted special status and advanced for examination. Applicants have fulfilled the requirements set forth in MPEP 708.02 VIII for requesting accelerated examination status for this application and have not been notified of any defects in their request.

If any defects have been found in Applicants' request for accelerated examination, the Examiner is kindly requested and encouraged to telephone Applicants' undersigned



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representative at the number listed below or otherwise inform Applicants of such deficiency so that they may be corrected in a renewed petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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